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SUBJECT : FINANCING THE WAR: STATUS REPORT

1. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, MIN FINANCE SAPIR STATED THAT WORLD JEWRY HAD RAISED SUM OF \$850 MILLION IN CASH FOR ISRAEL BETWEEN OCTOBER 1 AND NOVEMBER 23. SAPIR'S COMMENTS WERE MADE AT LOD UPON HIS RETURN FROM TRIP ABORAD. HIS SPOKESMAN CONFIRMED THAT FIGURES WERE CORRECTLY REPORTED. OF THIS SUM, \$600 MILLION REPRESENTED GIFTS TO JEWISH AGENCY (A) THROUGH UNITED JEWISH APPEAL IN THE UNITED STATES AND (B) THROUGH KEREN HAYESOD IN OTHER COUNTRIES; AND \$250 MILLION REPRESENTED SALES OF ISRAEL BONDS. BY END OF 1973 IT WAS EXPECTED THAT OVERALL TOTAL OF FUNDS RAISED WOULD REACH ONE BILLION.

2. PRESS ALSO REPORTS THAT VOLUNTARY WAR LOAN, WHICH HAS A TARGET OF IL 1,000 MILLION, HAD THROUGH NOVEMBER 23 COLLECTED IL 330 MILLION IN CASH (OF WHICH IL 200 MILLION FROM 10-MONTH BANK LOANS TAKEN OUT BY PROSPECTIVE DONORS AT A SPECIAL LOW INTEREST RATE OF 7 PERCENT). IN ADDITION IL 575 MILLION IN PLEDGES HAD BEEN RECEIVED, FOR A TOTAL OF OVER IL 900 MILLION IN CASH AND PLEDGES.

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